

Control of the media is already in too few hands. Balance in news reporting and entertainment, especially in the major markets, is already becoming a thing of the past. Further corporate mergers would not be in the public interest. Local news and concerns took a beating after the last deregulation. The FCC is charged with protecting the interests of United States citizens, not those of large corporations. (Why hasn't this been reported on major network news? Is it because their corporate owners are the principal lobbyists for these changes?) I am also concerned about the speed and secrecy with which this is being pushed through. There should be extensive public debate on an issue with such potential impact on our freedom and democracy.